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WEATHER REPORT.
Fair tonight and Tuesday; frost tonight; rising temperature Tuesday; moderate westerly winds, becoming variable.

Sun rises 5:44. Sets 6:46.
High tide tomorrow at 1:14 p. m. & 1:29 p. m.

PRICE 2 CENTS.

ARE YOU HELPING YOUR FAVORITE?

A New Subscription This Week May Win Her One of the European Trips

MONDAY IS THE LAST DAY

Just Seven More Days and the Gazette's Big Contest for Three European Trips Will Close.

ROLL OF HONOR

- First District.**
Miss Harriett Spofford 39,392
- Second District.**
Miss Esther T. Heasley 65,669
- Third District.**
Miss Julia W. Lewis, 21,821

The big contest will close one week from tonight promptly at 9 o'clock, and in the presence of the candidates the ballot box will be sealed and locked, and all subscriptions are verified, and all subscriptions turned in during the closing day can be entered upon the office records. WHERE WILL YOU STAND WHEN THE END COMES? That is the question that everybody is asking. Are you keeping busy and will you win? It is UP TO YOU! And remember that you have just six more days in which to get subscriptions and win this handsome prize!

The new leaders today are Miss Harriett Spofford and Miss Esther T. Heasley. Miss Spofford makes the big jump and comes from the fourth place to the Roll of Honor with 39,392 votes to her credit. The 40,000 mark is close. Wonder who will have the honor to pass it first? Miss Spofford may, but maybe some of the other candidates will have something to say about it. Miss Elizabeth King voted some special ballots in the first but did not vote quite strong enough to reach second position. Miss Nellie Usher dropped from first to second in the list.

The big lead made by Miss Susan Fawcett has been passed by two other young ladies who want to go to Europe—Miss Heasley and Miss Anderson—Miss Heasley with 65,000 votes and Miss Anderson comes next with only a few less, and Miss Fawcett is third in rank.

The third is "creeping up" slowly, with the three ladies voting coupons only, and Miss Lewis holding the commanding position.

There will be some heavy voting in all the districts from now until the contest closes if all signs do not fail. One of the greatest surprises of the contest is "in the air" in district three. It will show a remarkably good vote on the final count, too.

That final night is approaching with express speed, ladies and gentlemen. It is just SIX days away.

There Are Big Doin's.

Oh, there is something happening all the time, and if Mr. and Mrs. General Public could only get a glimpse into the inner happenings and sentimental developments taking place every day in the big tour contest they would certainly feel inclined to take notice more than they have.

Just let your eyes roam over the list as it is published today. Note the changes. Now picture in your mind's eye where some of these leaders will be when the final results are announced.

Are you going to win, candidates? Friends, do you not want your favorite to be a winner? Then all hands to the wheel. Work and do it now. There are only six days left to work, but to the candidates who are going to win the tour they will be crowded with interest—and new subscriptions. Contestants Scanning the Horizon.

Now that the contest has swung in to its last few days, the contestants and their friends are eagerly scanning the contest horizon for anything that might suggest a storm cloud, but if their confident bearing and suggestive smiles may be taken as any indication, they see nothing but clear sky. But notwithstanding their eager confidence in victory, they are leaving no stones unturned in their

efforts in securing votes which will go to swell their reserve strength. For the last few weeks some of the candidates have proven a fox. They have been withholding their special ballots in an effort to mislead their opponents who are doing the same thing for the same reason.

A contest quizzing is going on among the friends of the different candidates, in the hope of drawing out tips as to the reserve strength of the others, but all maintain a discreet silence and when they speak of their reserve they speak of it in that deprecatory way which says nothing and leaves everything to be guessed.

Too Close for Comfort. The workers are so bunched in each of the districts that the change of a few votes would make new leaders. That serves to show just how close the finish is going to be, and indicates that the victories will be won by the smallest of margins. One new yearly subscription will be very likely to decide the victor.

FLOODS IN THE MISSISSIPPI.
2,000 Square Miles Under Water—Loss \$10,000,000—30 Persons Drowned—10,000 Homeless.

St. Louis, Mo., April 8.—The Mississippi registered 43.7 feet on the gauge at Memphis, Tenn., early today. This is a fall of eight-tenths of a foot. At Cairo, it was a 53.9 stage, a fall of one-tenth.

Weather Bureau officials throughout the flood district have wired Forecaster Hayes here that the breaks in the levees in Arkansas near Memphis, probably mean that there will be no further rise in the river. It will remain at its present stage, for at least a week, and it cannot be forecasted just when a general fall will set in.

Memphis, Tenn., April 8.—Ten thousand square miles of rich farming country flooded. Loss to date over \$10,000,000. Estimated thirty persons drowned and 40,000 persons homeless.

WHIRR OF MACHINERY.
General Resumption of English Factories.

London, April 8.—The whirr of machinery was generally heard in every manufacturing center in Great Britain today despite the fact that it was Easter Monday, the one holiday usually universally observed. Simultaneously with the reumption of work in the coal mines the factories that have closed because of the scarcity of fuel resumed operations utilizing the small quantity of reserve coal on hand.

It will be three weeks before there is normal supply of coal throughout the country and two months before the usual reserve quota can be piled up. Although few of the miners were expected at the workings before tomorrow reports received today say that the resumption was universal. The Scotch mines returned full crews and in both England and Wales more than one half of the regular forces were at work.

Race Riots Feared.

Fayetteville, Va., April 8.—Extra police have been placed in the mining communities of Boomer, Campbell and Marling, where race riots are feared between American and foreign miners. Feeling ran high following the murder of Wash Bostick, bank boss of the Boomer Coal Co., who was followed to a stable by three foreign miners and shot down in cold blood.

Gov. Glasscock has been asked to have the militia in readiness to be sent here at a moment's notice. All the miners are idle pending the decision on the referendum vote on the Cleveland agreement. At Boomer nearly every miner is armed with a Winchester or Springfield rifle.

Battle With Robbers

Chungking, China, April 8.—A desperate battle between two robber bands resulting in the extermination of both saved the town of Paohow from pillage according to news just received here. Two bands of robbers, of about 500 each advanced on the town from different directions. The townspeople negotiated with the first band that arrived to drive out the other band and receive two-thirds of the loot of the city. The citizens went out to assist the first band. The robber allies of the citizens bore the brunt of the battle, and the second robber band was exterminated. But there were only 150 of the first band left when the battle was over, and the townspeople fell upon these, killed part of them in battle and captured and executed the remainder.

LARGER REWARD IS LAST RESORT

Detectives Said to be Negotiating Through Representatives of Mountaineers.

DISCOURAGED OVER CHASE

Stool Pigeons Being Planted—Officers Footsore and Wreary Over Hunt—Unable to Locate Fugitives.

Mt. Airy, N. C., April 8.—To increase the rewards offered for the capture, dead or alive, of Sidna Allen and Wesley Edwards, the Hillsville, Va., court room out laws, is being considered by the Baldwin-Felts detectives, it was learned today.

Discouraged over their three-weeks' futile chase in the mountains for the two remaining Allen clansmen, the detectives believe larger rewards are a last resort. They are also negotiating, through a representative with a mountaineer who is reported to have offered to disclose the hiding place of Allen and Edwards providing he is given protection.

"Stool pigeons" are being planted in two mountains by the detectives, both to secure clues to the hunted men and to ascertain if any mountaineers are aiding in protecting the outlaws. The chase of the detectives lagged today following the Easter Sunday man hunt, the posse returning late last night, foot sore and weary, without securing the slightest clue to the mountain lair of Allen and Edwards.

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SUSPECTED OF MURDER.

Mrs. William J. Snyder Held on Suspicion of Killing Her Husband.

New York, April 8.—A night in a cell failed to shake the nerve of Mrs. William J. Snyder, held to await the action of the coroner and the grand jury in the death of the man she claims was her husband, Walter J. Snyder, editor, manager of the Sports of the Times, stabbed to death in an apartment they occupied on St. Nicholas Avenue, yesterday. She quietly reiterated her original story of the stabbing, insisting that, although she held the scissors which caused the fatal wounds, in her hands, Snyder had jabbed himself with the blades, seemingly in fun, accidentally inflicting fatal wounds. She also insisted that, although the wounds were over the heart, Snyder had strength enough left to take off his union suit and get into the bath tub before he finally bled to death.

Coroner Hellenstein today ordered a charge of homicide placed against the woman, and that she be held without bail.

The accused woman was formerly Mary S. Kern of Morristown, N. J. She says that she and Snyder were married eight years ago, but she has forgotten who performed the ceremony. Soon afterward they separated, and in 1908 Snyder married Miss Bertha Edna Yeager, of Detroit, but she soon left him. Then in 1909, while he was manager of the Connecticut State Fair, Snyder eloped with his stenographer, Miss Helen Canfield, of New Britain. He deserted her for the woman who is now locked up, charged with killing him, and who says she only "made up" with him a short time ago.

The woman calmly admitted that she and Snyder quarreled yesterday. She said that she was taking a bath, and he threw water on her hair. This made her mad, and seemed to please him. Later he started to take a bath, she says, and persisted in throwing water on her hair from a sponge. She says she had been clipping the fringe from a cover on the dresser and that she turned with the shears in her hand and said: "Now be careful, Walter; you don't know what I might do."

She says that he seized her by the wrists and that as she struggled to free herself, he plunged the blades of the shears into his breast. Then she says he went into the bathroom and lay down in the tub. Some time afterward, she said, she realized that he was hurt more than she had thought, and went in and tried to get him to speak to her. Failing, she became alarmed and summoned help.

LOCAL BREVITIES.

The monthly meeting of the Chamber of Commerce of the city of Alexandria, will be held at 8 p. m. tonight.

Seminole Tribe, No. 35 of the Improved Order of Red Men, will meet at 7:30 p. m. tomorrow night.

At a meeting of the Holy Name Society, held yesterday afternoon, at the Young Men's Sodality Lyceum Hall, preliminary arrangements were made to give the younger members of that organization a picnic in the near future.

Marley Encampment of Odd Fellows will hold a meeting tonight. Following the meeting, the Alexandria Chapter of Odd Fellows will perfect arrangements for the ten days' fair of the Odd Fellows, which will open next Wednesday night.

A separate window has been installed in the city postoffice by Postmaster Eggborn on the St. Asaph street side of the lobby, for the postal savings business.

Alexandria Lodge of Elks will hold their regular meeting tonight in their home on Prince street and a large attendance is expected.

Eliza Gibson, colored, residing in the southwestern section of the city, died Saturday night. The deceased was 57 years old.

CLUBS NEW OFFICERS.

The annual meeting of the Collingwood Club was held at their clubhouse on the Potomac yesterday afternoon following the first shad bake of the season. James W. Bales, who was the club's first president, and is now a resident of Jacksonville, was unanimously re-elected president. Robert S. Barrett, elected vice president, W. C. H. Wildt, secretary and treasurer and Courtney Acton and John J. Nugent, board of governors, J. Fred Birrell and Joseph DeSilva were elected stewards. Plans for the spring and summer outings were discussed.

DISORDERLY NEGROES.

There is chronic complaint from people living in the vicinity of Washington and Princess streets of the disorderly conduct of negroes while straying to their homes after having returned from saloons in the "Petersburg" neighborhood on Saturday nights. This intersection is generally the scene of fights or noisy discussions, which awaken most people living in the vicinity. About 12:30 o'clock Saturday night six women and four men gathered at that intersection and a fight was soon precipitated, during which knives were drawn and stones hurled. Officers Nicholson and Kerns put in their appearance at an opportune time and arrested all present. Upon reaching the station house one of the women left \$5 collateral for her appearance this morning the Police Court. She failed to appear, however, and forfeited her deposit. The others were fined \$5 each.

FORFEITED HIS COLLATERAL.

Three white men of Washington came to this city in a buggy yesterday and drove at an unlawful speed through the streets of the city. Officer Beach started after the Jehus and came up with them on north Lee street. Two of the occupants of the vehicle escaped, but the officer succeeded in arresting the third. He was taken to the station house where he gave his name as James J. Burns, and left \$5 collateral for his appearance this morning. He could not be found when his case was called and forfeited his collateral.

FUNERAL.

The funeral of the late James Finelli took place yesterday afternoon. The services were conducted by Dr. J. L. Allison. The pallbearers were Julian Simpson, Will Owens, Moses Hayden, Harry Connelly, Garrett and Monroe. The interment was in Bethel cemetery.

TRADES COUNCIL MEETING.

The first regular meeting of the Alexandria Trades Council for April will be held in its hall in the Alexandria National Bank Building tonight. The report of the committee appointed at the last meeting to question candidates for office in the coming municipal election will be received and acted on. The questions submitted by the committee have already appeared in the Gazette, and while they were not sent to the candidates for Mayor, both candidates for that office have already replied to them. The replies from the candidates for the Common Council and Board of Aldermen have not yet been given to the public.

Another important matter which will come up for consideration tonight will be the public meeting, to be addressed by Miss Mary Johnston. Miss Johnston has already accepted the invitation to address the working people of Alexandria and it is probable the meeting will be held sometime during the week of April 21st.

FOR SALE—Bargain in slightly used passenger buggy, full leather trimmings. Cheap to quick buyer. Can be seen at 217 Cameron St.

TWO COURTS IN SESSION TODAY

Sinclair vs. Fairfax is Being Heard Today by Judge T. W. Harrison

HOOFF TRIAL MONDAY APRIL 22

Large Docket in Corporation Court—Cases are set for trial and others Are Continued.

The rather unusual spectacle of the two courts of Alexandria in session on the same day was presented in the court room this morning. The circuit court opened its session at 10 o'clock to try the case of E. L. Sinclair vs. Fairfax & Co., with Judge Thomas W. Harrison of Winchester presiding, and at 11 o'clock an adjournment was taken so that Judge Louis C. Barley of the Corporation Court could call the docket and set the dates for trial of the various cases to be disposed of during the April term.

The circuit court this afternoon resumed its sessions and proceeded with the Sinclair-Fairfax case. Judge Harrison was designated by Governor William H. Mann to come to Alexandria and try the case, both parties to the suit having agreed on this procedure. The suit by Sinclair is to recover the sum of \$3,912.77 which he claims is due by Fairfax for whiskey which was manufactured for him. The defense claims that the whiskey was not merchantable, and was therefore refused by them. Sinclair is represented by Marshall McCormick of Berryville, J. A. C. Keith of Warrenton and G. Washington Lewis of Alexandria, while the attorneys for Fairfax & Co. are Samuel G. Brent and Walter C. Foster of Alexandria. The jury is composed of John L. Monroe, J. Sutton Jones, M. L. Price, James B. Martin, John H. Fisher, W. T. Drown and Thomas Chaucery.

The evidence is largely technical and several days will be consumed in the trial. In the circuit court Eliza Robinson was granted a final decree of divorce against William Robinson on the grounds of desertion, non-support and adultery.

There was an unusually large docket in the corporation court and the most important trial to be set was that of Lewis Hooff, former secretary and general manager of the Mercantile Railway Building and Loan Association, which will take place on April 22nd.

In the case of C. H. Yohe, special receiver, vs. receivers of the Virginia Safe Deposit and Trust Corporation, Judge Barley announced that he would render a decision during this week.

The disposition of other cases were as follows: Commonwealth vs. Harvey Davis, continued. Commonwealth vs. C. J. Rixey, continued. Commonwealth vs. Arlington Brewing Co., continued.

Commonwealth vs. W. P. Seaton, Commonwealth Attorney S. G. Brent announced that he was ready to try Seaton, who is charged with robbery, and date will be fixed for this term of court.

Jonathan Matthews vs. National Fertilizer Co., continued.

J. A. Oliver Co. vs. T. H. Nelson, continued.

Howard W. Smith vs. Binson Machine Co., continued.

Thomas Waddy vs. Emerson Engine Co., set for April 11th.

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Robert Sutherland vs. Robert Tyler, set for April 11th.

Importers Coffee Co. vs. H. Kirk & Son, continued.

Germantown Mills Co. vs. Griffin Furniture Co., continued.

S. J. Simpson vs. Thomas Coffin, judgment confessed.

A. H. Agnew vs. Griffin and Michelback, continued.

R. T. Thomas vs. H. A. Bales, dismissed at cost of plaintiff.

James Giles vs. Provident Relief Association, continued.

Cable Co., Inc. vs. P. T. Everett, continued.

National Publishing Alliance vs. Bryant, set for April 10th.

Westerfield vs. Emerson Engine Co., set for April 17th.

American School of Correspondence

vs. W. W. Gogel, set for April 16th.

C. E. Haxman vs. P. L. Rogers, dismissed at cost of plaintiff.

Hutton and Bourbonnais vs. M. L. Rishell, continued.

A. A. Warfield vs. John W. Entwistle, set for April 10th.

John Hunter vs. Provident Relief Association, set for trial April 16th.

J. R. Fletcher vs. B. B. Smith, continued.

R. H. Wattles vs. E. C. Gilbert, set for April 12th.

C. J. Veet vs. City Council, rule issued returnable April 19th.

J. Angus King vs. Western Union Telegraph Co., set for trial April 11th.

L. B. Oertley vs. R. H. Cox, admr., continued.

Carter Bros. vs. Thomas Coffin, set for trial April 10th.

McGraw Publishing Co. vs. Emerson Steam Pump Co., continued.

Charles L. Hawkins, admr., vs. Southern Railway, continued.

Exceptions of Second National Bank of Chicago to be argued April 10th.

Lucile N. (Stafke) Reilly was granted a final decree for divorce from John Francis Reilly on the grounds of desertion.

VESTRYMEN RE-ELECTED.

The present vestrymen of Christ and St. Paul's Churches were re-elected today. They are as follows: Christ Church—W. A. Smart, L. M. Blackford, Hubert Snowden, E. S. Leadbater, C. H. Yohe, J. K. Furke, W. D. Wood, D. N. Rust, George S. French, C. C. Leadbeater, G. L. Bonthe and G. Wm. Ramsey. They will hold their first meeting next Monday night.

St. Paul's Church—J. Wallace Hooff, John W. Green, J. C. Milburn, J. R. Zimmerman, Julian T. Burke, G. T. Kipps, Laurence Stabler, E. L. Daingerdell, W. B. Smart, R. E. Knox, J. K. M. Norton and Urban S. Lambert. The collections yesterday were as follows: St. Paul's Church—Church collection, \$625; Sunday school \$125; Christ Church—Church collection, \$74.86, for general missions; Sunday school, \$76.42, for diocesan missions.

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BURNING OF A PASSENGER SHIP

Steamer Ontario, of the Merchants' and Miners' Line, Beached While on Fire

CREW REFUSE TO LEAVE BOAT

Passengers Rescued Amid Gusts of Wind and Snow—Government Boats Hasten to Scene.

Montauk Point, L. I., N. Y., April 8.—Twenty nine women and children were taken from the burning steamer Ontario, of the Merchants' and Miners' Line, bound from Baltimore to Boston, off Montauk Point by the tug Tasco, from New London, Conn., early today. The captain and crew decided to remain with the vessel, beached five miles from here and fight the flames which are raging in her hold. The remainder of the passengers also elected to remain, although the tug is standing by, awaiting the moment when the passengers and crew still on board will be forced to leave the vessel.

Despite heavy gusts of wind that brought sweeping clouds of snow, the vessel was safely beached. When the passengers were taken from the burning ship there was little difficulty getting them aboard the tug, although the blowing snow caused some inconvenience. Although the sea was running heavy the passengers were let over the side by the passenger ladders to the tug that rolled steadily in the seaway.

The Ontario was beached on Reef of Rocks before dawn and frantic signals of distress from the vessel brought out the life saving crew from the nearby station. A rocket carried a line to the ship and a breeches buoy was hurriedly rigged to carry the passengers and crew over the water that pounded on the rocky shore of the northern point. The life savers could not launch a small boat to go to the vessel because of the heavy sea. When the breeches buoy was first hauled in to shore it contained a note from Capt. Round of the Ontario which read: "We will stick to the ship. But stand by as near as possible in case the fire gets beyond control."

A little knot of townspeople and sea-faring folk had gathered in the gray dawn to watch the vessel, as they found themselves helpless because of the stretch of angry water between the reef where Captain Bond had stranded his vessel, and the shore. But the terse note from the ship convinced them that the crew was in a fair way to control the flames in the hold and that the crew and passengers were comparatively safe.

A short time later, the tug Tasco, from New London, Conn., steamed in to the shallow waters about the stranded vessel. Captain Bond took a line from the tug and put aboard her about a score of women and children passengers who were stricken with fear following the discovery of the blaze in the early morning. The remainder of the passengers and the crew stayed with the ship, however, convinced that the fire would be extinguished without danger to those on board.

With the vessel safely beached in shallow water, Capt. Bond, despite the heavy searunning decided to flood the blazing hold. The vessel lay high in the water and in order to let in the sea a hole was torn in the hull. The Tasco stood by to await the outcome of the battle with the flames, and the line relocated to the ship early in the morning by the life savers, rigged with the breeches buoy, still stretched to the shore to take off the crew, and the remaining passengers if it became necessary.

Shortly after noon the watchers on shore were convinced that the crew of the Ontario had succeeded in conquering the flames, aided by the half score tugs that were then standing by. At that time smoke had ceased to roll from the forward hatch of the steamer, and the men seemed to be slackening their activity.

Washington, April 8.—The revenue cutters are hurrying to aid the Merchants' and Miners' steamship Ontario. The Treasury Department early today sent hurried orders to the Mohawk at Brooklyn, and the Acushnet, at Woods Hole, Mass., immediately to steam to Montauk Point. They are expected to reach the burning ship early this afternoon.

MEET US AT THE GRAND APRIL BAZAAR—ODD FELLOWS HALL.

North Columbus Street, April 10th to 20th, under the auspices of Canton Alexandria, No. 1, Patriarchs Militant.—Advt. Apr. 8-20